

REMARKS

The purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to eliminate multiple dependent claims in order to avoid the additional fee. Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce claims to canceled combined subject matter.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached pages are captioned "**Version With Markings to Show Changes Made**".

Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Claims 21-22 have been amended as follows:

21. (Amended) Pharmaceutical preparations that contain at least one compound of general formula I according to ~~one of~~ claims 1 ~~to 20~~ above as well as a pharmaceutically compatible vehicle.

22. (Amended) Use of the compounds of general formula I according to claims 1 ~~to 20~~ above for the production of pharmaceutical agents.

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